GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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SURCHARGE ON DIESEL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have levied any surcharge on diesel with low quantity of sulphur since July, 2001;

(b) if so, the amount likely to be earned therefrom; and

(c) the purpose for which this amount is proposed to be spent?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (c): The ex-storage point price of 0.05% maximum sulphur diesel was revised in July, 2001. This was necessitated since the manufacturing process of diesel with 0.05% maximum sulphur involves higher cost of production to refineries and also the prices of this grade of diesel carry a premium over the normal grade in the international market.